

AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS

Please amend the claims as indicated in the listing of pending claims presented below. This listing of claims replaces all prior versions and listings of claims in the above-referenced application.

In accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.121, as revised June 30, 2003, claims are labeled as “Original”, “Currently amended”, “Canceled”, “Withdrawn”, “Previously presented”, “New”, or “Not entered”.

Claims 1-8 (Canceled)

9. (Currently amended): A method for treating an autoimmune disease, which comprises administering a therapeutically effective amount of a monoclonal antibody that binds to CX3CR1 or human fractalkine and inhibits chemotaxis of killer lymphocytes by suppressing an interaction between CX3CR1 and fractalkine, wherein said monoclonal antibody is obtained by selecting a monoclonal antibody that suppresses the interaction between CX3CR1 and fractalkine.
10. (Original): The method for treating an autoimmune disease according to claim 9, wherein the antibody binds to fractalkine.

Claims 11-15 (Canceled)

16. (Previously presented): The method according to claim 9, wherein the autoimmune disease is multiple sclerosis.

Claims 17-20 (Canceled)